Chapter 9 – Battle in the Wilderness

LISHA AND THE KNIGHT SQUADRON
FIGHT AGAINST VELVET & ABYSS——

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最弱無敗の神装機竜
バハムート

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sfx: sound of wings flapping

SHARIS TILLFARR... ARE YOU SAFE!?

DAMN

I'M SORRY, BUT PRINCESS ...

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I'VE BEEN SAVED BY COMRADES AND WE'VE STARTED OUR RETREAT...

YES, LOOKS LIKE... I'M ALSO AT MY LIMIT.

MY MACHINE HAS BEEN SERIOUSLY DAMAGED. I CAN NO LONGER FIGHT...

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YOU GUYS SHOULD JUST WITHDRAW AS IS.

YOU'VE REALLY FOUGHT WELL SO FAR, DESPITE THE DIFFERENCE OF MILITARY POWER.

...ALSO, I'VE A REQUEST.

TELL THE INSTRUCTORS AT CROSS FEED THAT WE NEED REINFORCE-MENTS OUT HERE.

IF MY AIM FROM NOW ON SUCCEEDS THAT IS...

HUMPH...!

I'M... GOING TO AIM FOR THE BOSS THAT POSSESSES THAT FLUTE!

YES.

GIEEEAAAAH!!!

ORIGINALLY, THE ABYSS HAVE THE HABIT OF ATTACKING LIVING THINGS INDISCRIMINATELY.

.....!!

HE IS PROBABLY CONTROL-LING THE ABYSS WITH THAT FLUTE.

IN SHORT, IF I CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT FLUTE...

NEVERTHELESS, THAT MAN HASN'T BEEN ATTACKED, NOR SHOWS NO SIGNS HE'LL RECEIVE ANY OF THEIR ATTACKS!

EAT THIS...!!

IT'S VERY LIKELY THAT THE ABYSS WILL LOSE CONTROL!!

<SEVENTH HEADS>!!!

NO, THAT ISN'T IT. THIS IS...!!

!!

DID YOU THINK THAT SUCH ATTACK WOULD HIT ME.....

HMPH

SHE CREATED A PATH!?

I SHALL MEET IT HEAD ON, LIZSHARTE!!

THAT AIM...

DID YOU THINK THAT IF THE ENERGY OF THE BOMBARDMENT RUNS OUT AND THAT IT'S A ONE-ON-ONE FIGHT, YOU COULD WIN!!!

FOOL...!!

SHOULD ALREADY BE AT YOUR LIMIT TO CONTINUE TO EQUIP THAT MACHINE DRAGON!!

BUT, YOU WHO ACCUMULATED FATIGUE TO THE EXTENT OF VOMITING BLOOD...

NOW, YOU SHOULD SCATTER THAT LIFE, FALSE PRINCESS!!!

HOW UNSIGHTLY, LIZSHARTE!

IT WAS A MISTAKE IN THE FIRST PLACE FOR YOU TO HAVE THE TITLE OF THE PRINCESS; EVEN IF ONLY FOR A SHORT TIME!!

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A BLADE!!?

!!

GUH...!?

THE TWO SWORD DEVICES <CHIMERIC WYVERN>...

CORRESPONDING TO THE <CHIMERIC WYVERN>!!!

WITH HIS STANCE, HE WON'T HAVE TIME FOR EITHER DEFENSE OR EVASION!!

ORIGINALLY, AFTER HAVING EQUIPPED A MACHINE DRAGON, THEY CAN ONLY BE USED AS CONTROL STICKS, BUT...

EVEN SO, THEY CAN BREAK THROUGH A DRAG-RIDE'S BARRIER WHEN USED AS SWORDS!!!

TOO BAD FOR YOU, BITCH!

GOT YOU!!!

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WHA...!!?

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GAH...

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... WHAT DID YOU DO...

WHAT THE HELL... DID YOU...!?

IT'S A KIND OF DRAG-KNIGHT SECRET TECHNIQUE ONCE HANDED DOWN IN THE EMPIRE'S ARMY.

『QUICK DRAW』

AND THE CONTROL BY MIND OPERATION.

THE CONTROL BY BODY OPERATION.

THROUGH A SEQUENCE OF MOVEMENTS FROM THE PERFECT OVERLAP OF MANIPULATING TWO DIFFERING SYSTEMS.

WITH JUST ONE STROKE IN JUST AN INSTANT.

A SPECIAL MOVE THAT DISHES OUT AN UNSEEN ATTACK.

I ENDURED THE PAIN OF... BEING THE WATCHDOG OF YOU DAMN BITCHES!!

YOU LOW-LIFE...

I, YOU SEE, AFTER REACHING THE POSITION OF HEAD OF THE IMPERIAL GUARDS KNIGHT SQUADRON,

FINALLY MASTERED THIS AFTER ANOTHER FIVE YEARS OF TRAINING.

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MY MACHINE DRAGON WON'T MOVE...

AT THIS RATE, I'LL ——...

THOSE ARE...

A LITTLE MORE... IF I ENDURE JUST A LITTLE MORE ...!!

AND THERE ARE ALSO KNIGHT SQUADRON MEMBERS WHO CAN STILL FIGHT...

REINFORCE-MENTS FROM THE CAPITAL ...!?

WHAT A PATHETIC WOMAN...

...YOU THINK THOSE ARE REINFORCEMENTS FROM THE CAPITAL?

DON'T TELL ME...

!?

A GRAY COATING SIMILAR THE OLD EMPIRE'S COLORS...

NOT ONLY ARE THERE STILL A DOZEN ABYSS REMAINING...

TO THINK THAT 100 GENERAL-PURPOSE MACHINE DRAGONS ARE HERE AS WELL...

——THE REBEL ARMY...?

AH, IT'S NO USE...

——WE CAN'T ESCAPE...

——NO WAY...

HOW FOOLISH, PRINCESS LIZSHARTE!!

!!

NO, AREN'T YOU JUST A SLAVE WHO BETRAYED THE EMPIRE? THAT'S YOUR TRUE IDENTITY!!

HAHAHA-HAHAHA

THE COUP D'ÉTAT SUCCEEDED,

WHEN THE INHERITOR DIED, YOUR LITTLE SISTER, YOU BECAME THE PRINCESS!!

EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE ABANDONED BY THE EARL HOUSE, I TAUGHT YOU HOW TO USE A DRAG-RIDE IN ORDER TO MAKE YOU LIVE AS AN ASSASSIN...

KUKU-KU...

THIS NEW KINGDOM!!!

WHAT A CRUEL COUNTRY,

YOUR BODY AND HEART HAVE SUNK INTO THE EMPIRE,

EVEN MORE, YOUR BEING USED AS THE NEXT CORE*...

Note: The kanji used here is偶像, or "idol / image / figure"

DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND YET? LIZSHARTE...

YOU...

HOW DO YOU KNOW SUCH THINGS...!?

IT'S ME!!

THE ONE WHO PLACED THE MARK OF THE EMPIRE UPON YOU!!!

!!?

A...

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IS FALLING...

THE EMPIRE——

... WERE YOU THE ONE THAT KILLED THEM?

THE PEOPLE OF THE CASTLE ——

... WHAT IF,

I SAID I DID?

ARE YOU GONNA TO RUN AWAY?

BRAT

...THEN,

KILL ME RIGHT HERE AS WELL.

IF THE EMPIRE IS GOING TO FALL,

THEN I NO LONGER HAVE ANY PLACE TO BELONG TO---

...THAT'S BORING. AS IF I'D DO THAT, IDIOT.

KUHAHAHAHAHA!!

OH I SEE! SO YOU WERE THAT TYPE OF PERSON!!

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

BY KILLING SOMEONE AMUSING LIKE YOU...

...THIS IS?

So run, and take that with you.

This castle will fall very soon, young lady.

I'll give you that.

The "power" to change fate... That sword device that is.

...

Wait-

...?

WHAT IS THAT...?

KU-KU-KU

NO IDEA.

EXCEPT ...

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE IN THIS TOWN, YOU CAN CALL THAT THE GREAT HERO...

THAT DESTROYED THIS HORRIBLE EMPIRE.

HE...

RO...?

LISHA-
SAMA!!!

WELL, I GUESS EITHER WAY IS FINE AS LONG AS I CAN TALK TO HIM IN THE END...

...LUX?

DRAGON VOICE... NO, AN AUDITORY HALLUCINATION?

PLEASE, LISTEN TO ME LUX ACADIA.

YOU KNOW, I RAN AWAY.

KNOWING THAT I HAD BEEN ABANDONED BY MY OWN FATHER, I WAS TOLD TO BECOME AN ASSASSIN FOR THE EMPIRE, OR DIE..

I COULDN'T DIE AS THE DAUGHTER OF THE PROUD EARL HOUSE.

THEREFORE, I ONCE GAVE UP ON EVERY-THING,

AND CHOOSE TO BECOME A PART OF THE EMPIRE.

I, A PERSON WHO BETRAYED THE EMPIRE ONCE, MAY BE SAYING SOMETHING SELFISH.

BUT, YOU KNOW...

IT WAS HARD FOR ME TO PRETEND TO BE A PRINCESS.

BUT, I ACTUALLY WANTED TO BECOME ONE...

NOW... I LIKE EVERY-ONE!

I WANTED TO BE RECOGNIZED THIS TIME FOR SURE-

I ALSO HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO SAY.

SORRY FOR HAVING NOT SAID ANYTHING. I WANT YOU TO HEAR IT.

So——

...

I'M RELIEVED. THAT YOU WERE THE LAST PERSON TO WHOM I COULD TALK...

BUT, I'M SORRY...

I WONDER IF MY VOICE REACHED HIM...

IT LOOKS LIKE I'M OUT OF TIME.

STAY WELL, DEAR PRINCE.

IN MY STEAD...

<TIAMAT>'S SWORD DEVICE...

EVEN IN YOUR LAST MOMENT, YOU BITCH...!!

YOU THREW IT...!?

DON'T SPEAK NON-SENSE...

YOU'VE GAINED POWER, YOU SAY?

I'LL GIVE YOU ONE LAST PIECE OF ADVICE AS A PRINCESS...

SOMEONE OF YOUR CALIBER CAN'T DESTROY THIS COUNTRY...

YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL!

YOU'RE JUST THE SAME LIKE BACK IN THOSE DAYS WHEN YOU WERE ONLY USED BY THE OLD EMPIRE!

YOU'RE JUST A PAWN WHO SURELY HAS BEEN ENTICED BY SOMEONE'S SWEET WORDS AND JUMPED ON THEM.

VERY WELL ...!!

I WILL TEAR YOU TO PIECES, AND THROW YOUR CORPSE INTO THE ROYAL PALACE THEN JUST INVADE IT LIKE THAT!!!

DIE HERE!!

HAA

HOW FRUSTRAT-ING...

EVEN THOUGH I WAS GOING TO ACT LIKE A PRINCESS

AND NOT CRY UNTIL THE END THIS TIME, EVEN IF I AM SCARED...

GO TO HELL!!!

HAHA HAHA...

!?

.....?

A <WYVERN> ...?

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...I'M SORRY LISHA-SAMA-

EVEN THOUGH YOU PUT SO MUCH EFFORT INTO FIXING IT...

... IT HAS BEEN BROKEN.

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「COME FORTH,

!?

SAVAGE DRAGON WHICH CONSUMES THE FLESH AND BLOOD OF THE GODS,

AND CUT THROUGH THE DARK CLOUDS OF THE HEAVENS」!!!

LUX...!!!

CONNECT ON!!!

<BAHAMUT>

◆遂に、ルクス参戦!!

Next, Lux makes his entrance!!

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